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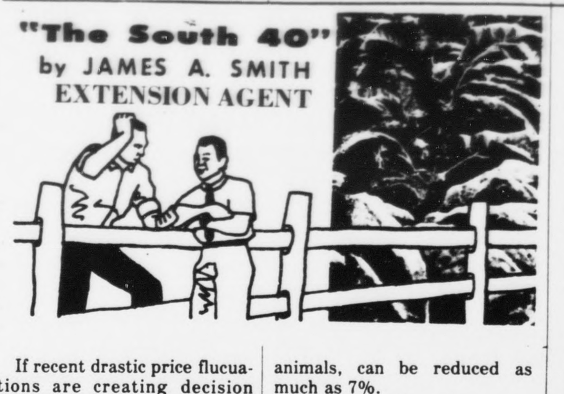

If recent drastic price flucuations are creating decision making problems for you, every is normal.

Last Thursday feeder pigs at Farmville topped out at $1.14 a pound. Hogs averaged just over $56 per cwt last week compared with $28 per cwt last year. Choice and fancy feeders brought $68 compared with $49 a year earlier. Good grade slaughter steers went for $48 compared to $33 last year. Number 2 yellow corn went over $3 a bushel on some Virginia markets last week. Barley went as high as $2 a bushel; number 2 wheat was selling for more than $3 at most Virginia markets.

Certainly we are in a period of uncertanties with feed cost up and rising, labor costs are surely to go up, interest rates continuing to rise, farm machinery will follow this trend and producers face the problem of scarities of critical supplies. Reports from tobacco growing areas south of here indicate that 5 ply twine for tobacco tiers is almost impossible to obtain.

Producers need to keep one thing in proper perspective - cost of inputs. Never has there been a time when the opportunity to turn a profit was more nearly geared to a daily analysis of alternatives than now. In very simple terms - "watch your step"

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Better take a close look at adding urea to corn silage. Here's what it means based on today's protein prices. When urea is added at the rate of 10 pounds per ton of 35% dry matter silage, the urea will add 28 pounds of protein per ton which increases the protein 1.5%. This increase is worth over $7.00 at a cost of about 60c for the urea.

An additional saving is made because the protein in the concentrate mix, fed dairy animals, can be reduced as much as 7%.

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Have you observed the small wasp (black with a yellow spot on the abdomen) flying over the lawn. They are seeking out grubs to deposit their eggs. The wasps feed on and kill the grub. This is a good insect to have around.

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We're getting calls about logworms on scale-type evergreens. Sevin does a good job.

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Food fads have been in existance a long time. Historically, New York has been a white egg market and Boston a brown egg market. I had assumed that probably this had changed but in a super market at St. Andrews, New Brunswick I noticed that brown eggs of the same size and grade were priced 2c a dozen higher.

PRECIPITATION

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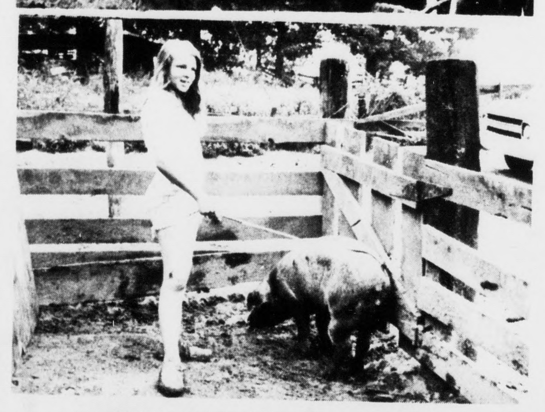
BABCOCK COMPETES IN ARCHERY TOURNAMENT

Among the 680 participants in the National Field Archery Tournament recntly held in Aurora, Illinois, was Webster (Webb) Babcock, Jr. Babcock tied for second place in the Free Style Division of the Tournament.

Mr. Babock, an insurance agent for Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, devotes much of his leisure time to perfecting his archery skills Within the past three years, he has competed in many in-state and out of state archery contests. During this period of time, he has been the recipient of numerous awards.

Babcock represents the Archery Division of the Isaac Walton Board of Directors.



PREPARE FOR MARKET HOG SHOW

Several Appomattox 4-H and FFA members have been busy preparing for the Piedmont Jr. Market Hog Show and Sale to be held this Thursday, August 9 at the Farmville Livestock. The show and sale, held each year at this time, provided 4-H and FFA members an opportunity to show and demonstrate their animals in the Market Hog project.

The show and sale is the last stop in many months of preparation and practice. Not only does the animal need to be correctly fed and cared for, but the members must also be able to handle his or her animal in the show ring.

Animals are graded at the market by a Virginia Department of Agriculture grader and weighed before being readied for the show ring. Animals compete according to grades and weight classes. prize money for the show is provided by Kings' Supermarkets.

Pictures from the top are 4-H'ers Robert Dyess, Barry Dunbar, and Mary Dyess reading their animals for the Jr. Market Hog Show and Sale.

Home Coming At Mt. Shiloh

The annual homecoming and beginning of revival will begin at the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church this Sunday morning at 11 a. m. The pastor of the church will deliver the morning message and the Rev. J. W. Paige, pastor of the Shiloh Baptist Church of Monroe, Virginia and his members will be the afternoon guests. Special music will be rendered by the Spiritual Amatuers of Amherst, Virginia. The Rev. Jack Wilson of Gretna, will be the speaker through the week.

A very large crowd of members, visitors and friends attended the annual home coming at the Galilee Baptist Church last Sunday at the 11a. m. and 2:30 p. m. services. Music for the morning worship was presented by the Echoes of Joy from Amherst, Va., the Rev. W. R. Jones pastor of the First Baptist Church of Lynchburg and his senior and Junior choirs were the afternoon guests. Dinner was served by the ladies of the church to all who came in the fellowship hall.

The annual meeting of the Cornerstone Association will convene with the St. Luke Baptist Church on Wednesday and Thursday of next week. All churches are asked to send delegates.

A successful home coming was reported at the Mount Airey and Bethlehem Baptist Churches last Sunday.

Dr. J. A. Carter, pastor of the Zion Baptist Church was able to fill his pulpit last Sunday morning. Dr. Carter under went a serious operation in the Veterans Hospital in Richmond., Va. during the month of May. The members were happy to greet him. He delivered a very helpful and instructive sermon.

Plans are nearly completed for the Home Coming Services of the Promise Land Baptist Church to begin on the fourth Sunday in this month.

The Rev. C. L. Elliott is conducting the annual revival at the Warminster Baptist Church in Buckingham this week. The Rev. James Miller is the pastor.

Watch next week's **Times-Virginian** for another story about the show - or better yet, plan to come to the Farmville Market Thursday and support the 4-H and FFA members of Appomattox.

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DEATHS

John David Guill

John David Guill, 59, of 9 ...melot Court, Newport News, ...ed Friday in Riverside ...spital.

A native of Lynchburg, he ...s a Peninsula resident for ...e past 17 years. He was a ...mber of Deer Park Baptist ...urch and was employed as a ...chanic at Ward Pontiac in ...wport News.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. ...nice O. Guill; three daughters, Mrs. Rudolph Benson, Jr., ...d Mrs. James Deagle, both of ...wport News, and Mrs. Jean ...ndall of New Hampshire; a ...n, Ralph David Guill of ...wport News; a brother, ...rvin Almond of Roanoke; ...e grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, July 29 at 2:00 ...m. in Peninsula Funeral ...me, Newport News, with Dr. ...iel W. Coler of Deer Park ...ptist Church officiating. ...ial followed in Peninsula ...morial Park.

Mrs. John A. Smith

Mrs. Sallie Mable Guill ...th, 79, of Appomattox, died ...nday at Guggenheimer ...morial Hospital. She was the ...e of the late John Andrew ...th.

...rn in Appomattox County, ... was the daughter of ...aniel and Cornelia Viar ... She was a member of ...erty Baptist Church.

She is survived by four sons, ...es E. Smith, John A. ...th, Jr. and Moses W. Smith, ...f Appomattox and Wiley H. ...th of Spout Spring; seven ...ghters, Mrs. Viola Ferguson, Mrs. Fred Grishaw, Mrs. ...n Childress and Mrs. Reva ...s, all of Appomattox, Mrs. ...d Doss of Concord, Mrs. ...es Hawkins of Marion, ... and Mrs. Lawrence ...therholtz of Upper Sandusky, Ohio; four half brothers, ...l Drinkard and Charlie ...ard, both of Keysville, ... Drinkard of Altavista and ...e Drinkard of Lynchburg; ... half sisters, Mrs. Pax ... of Concord and Mrs. ... Garrett of Farmville; 33 ...children; 29 great-grandchildren and two great-great ...children.

...funeral service was ...cted at 4 p.m. Wednesday ...berty Baptist Church in ...mattox by the Revs. ...rd Brackin and Frank ... Burial took place in the ... Cemetery.

...ison Funeral Home was ...e of arrangements.

John L. Gamble

Revival To Begin Aug. 19 At Liberty Chapel

Revival services will be conducted at Liberty Chapel Baptist Church, at the Intersection of Route 615 and 6161 in Appomattox County, beginning August 19 and continuing thru August 24th. Services will begin nightly at 7:45 p.m,. according to Billy Washburn, host pastor.

John L. Gamble of Lynchburg, Va., will be the guest speaker for the services.

Evangelist Gamble is considered to be one of the most dynamic speakers in the field of evangelism today. A native of North Carolina and well equipped for his task with six and a half years of college training, he was ordained to the ministry by the First Baptist Church of Leonior, North Carolina.

In 1945 he married Miss Polly Mason of Lynchburg, and God has blessed their home with two wonderful children. He is a member of the West Lynchburg Baptist Church, since Lynchburg is the home base from which he serves the living Christ in evangelistic campaigns.

John Hall will serve as Music Director; Mrs. Betty Leftwich will be the pianist and Mrs. L. C. Reynolds, Sr. will be the organist.

A nursery for preschool children will be provided.

The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

Mr. Hunter S. Nash, Mr. Harry T. Nash, Mrs. Ethel N. Painter, Mr. Roy T. Nash, Mrs. Cassie N. Perrow, Mr. Raymond D. Nash, children of the late Mr. and Mrs. Allen Cecil Nash. Absent when picture was taken was Mrs. Eva N. Jones.

Nash Reunion Held

The descents of Allen Cecil and Ella Cheatham Nash held their annual family reunion at the Sherwell Community Building Sunday, August 5th. Rev. Coyt Riley asked the blessing after which a delicious lunch was enjoyed by all. A register was provided for the guest and the history was brought up to date; births, marriages, deaths, etc, by each family. Officers for the coming year are: David Nash, president; Ronnie Williamson, vice-president; Donald Nash, Secretary; Fred Jones, Asst. Secretary; Margaret Lawrence, Ellen Nash - Historians; and Dorothy Ballage, Treasurer.

Unusual Snake Display

Zandra Elder of Appomattox is shown above with a rather unusual display of snakes. On Sunday, August 5, her brother, Benny Crain, killed a water snake (45" long) that he mounted on a slab of wood. Before mounting the snake skin, Benny and his father, W. B. Crain, opened the snake in order to remove her babies. All 54 baby snakes died just after release from the mother and are mounted on the wood held by Zandra.

The water snake was killed in a duck house on a farm pond. Just a week before they killed a copperhead snake in the same place. The copperhead had 25 babies inside her but they were destroyed immediately as they are extremely poisonous even at birth.

PAMPLIN

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Hamlett and Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Hamlett spent last Sunday in Roanoke visiting Mrs. Wesley Hamlett's brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Barbour.

Mr. and Mrs. James R. Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bates are vacationing this week in the Smokies.

Mrs. H. L. Price is a patient at Lynchburg General Hospital and will undergo surgery this week. We wish for her a speedy recovery.

Pupil Rules From School Bus Handbook

Transportation of students to and from school is one of the most important phases of school operation as it involves "Transporting The Most Precious Cargo - Someone's Child". For this reason we feel that a list of Pupil Regulations for students riding school buses in Appomattox County should be published for parents and students to read.

The regulations are as follows:

1. Each pupil is required to be ready to board the bus on schedule at his respective bus stop, to get on the bus, take his proper seat and remain in that seat until the proper place of departure. The pupil will conduct himself in an orderly manner at all times. This type conduct and behavior is necessary for the safety and welfare of the entire group.
2. The bus cannot wait for tardy pupils.
3. Pupils will be assigned to seats as seems best to the driver.
4. The bus driver is in full charge of the bus and pupils.
5. Pupils must obey the driver promptly and cheerfully.
6. Pupils must respect the requests of the safety patrolman.
7. Never stand in the highway while waiting for the bus.
8. Walk on left side of road facing traffic.
9. Avoid unnecessary talk to the driver.
10. Except for ordinary conversation, have classroom conduct on the bus.
11. The use of profane or immoral language will not be tolerated.
12. The use of tobacco or fire in any form is prohibited.
13. Arms and heads must be kept inside bus windows at all times.
14. Feet must be kept off seats at all times and out of aisles.
15. Get on and off the bus in an unhurried orderly manner.
16. Pupils will not leave their regular bus and ride another bus without the proper permission.
17. Pupils will not leave the bus away from their regular stop with the proper permission.
18. Pupils will not throw objects on, from, or at a school bus.
19. Pupils will pay for damage done to the bus when not obeying bus rules.
20. Pupils will hold their belongings and not take up seating space with them.
21. The rights of pupils to ride the bus will be determined by the way they obey these regulations.
22. Pupils will not bring drink cans or bottles on the bus.
24. Pupils will not bring radios, record players or tape recorders on the bus.
25. Pupils will not place posters or stickers of any type in or on a bus.
26. Pupils will not throw orange peelings or seed, apple cores or peelings and other trash on the bus seats or floor.

Grows Large Cantaloupe

Percy Thompson of Appomattox grew the 12 pound cantaloupe he is holding in above photo on his "Crab-grass" farm.

He stopped by for a picture before taking the cantaloupe to his good friend, Dr. C. G. O'Brien.

Percy says, "I stole the fertilizer from around the silo on the Carter Martin farm."

...ECKHAM

...m, August 7 -Mr. and ...arry Stallings and ... spent the week end ...Mr. and Mrs. J. ...ngs and Gwen Stallings ...edere, North Carolina. ... Clyde Moore is spend... week with Mr. H. O. ...

... Janet Scruggs of ...k and Mrs. Claudine ...on of Crewe were ... dinner guests of Mr. ...s. Walter Young and ...oung.

...and Mrs. Walter Young ...yra Young visited Mr. ...Moore and Mr. C. W. ...Saturday.

... Herman Moore, Sr. and Mrs. H. C. Moore and Miss Nancy Moore were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Schmitz and girls.

The family of Mr. H. O. Martin honored him with a birthday party Sunday afternoon at his home.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tweedy, Michelle and Tracy left Monday morning for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Goodman of Springfield, Ohio.

Saturday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howlett Drinkard, Donald Lee and Miss Eunice Martin were Mrs. Herman Moore, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Herman Moore, Jr., Miss Dorothy Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Abner Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Tyree, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Drinkard and Kim, Mr. and Mrs. Howlett Drinkard, Jr. and Tony.

Miss Nancy Moore of Richmond spent several days of last week with Mrs. H. C. Moore.

Mrs. Dorothy Livingood of Roanoke and Mrs. Overton Moore of Appomattox visited Mrs. Herman Moore, Sr. Monday, also Mrs. Elizabeth Reynolds.

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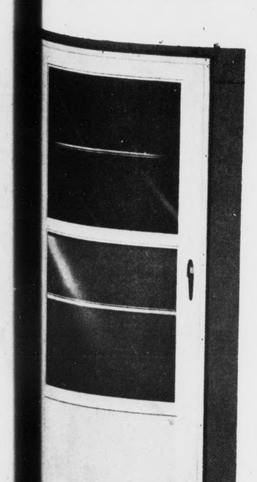

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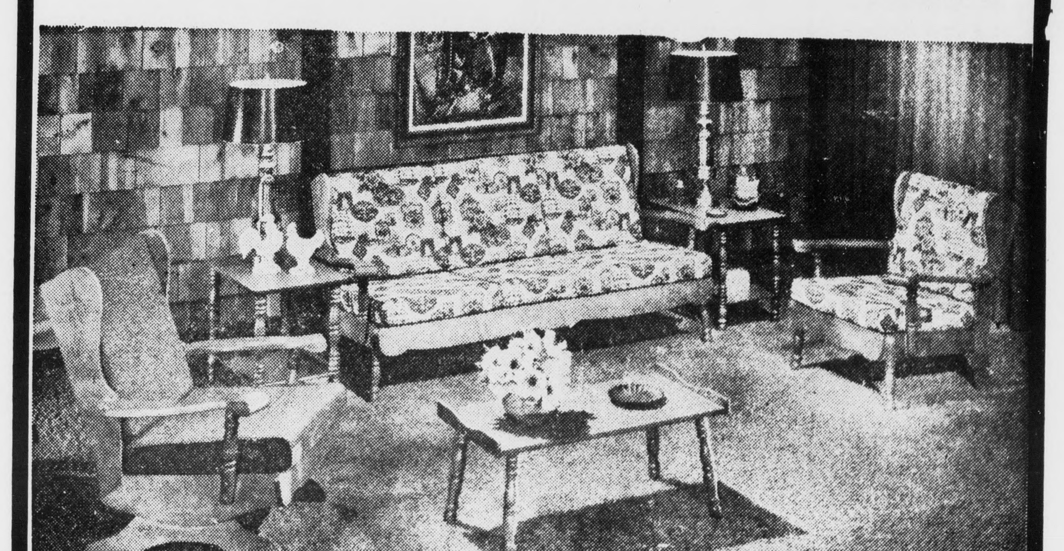

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